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Value of Idaho's 2016 Agricultural Production Totals \$7.25 Billion

The value of Idaho's 2016 agricultural production was \$7.25 billion, down 6 percent from the previous year's revised value of \$7.75 billion. The value of Idaho's crop production in 2016 was \$2.99 billion, down less than one percent from 2015. The value of livestock production in 2016 totaled \$4.26 billion, down 10 percent from the previous year. The rankings of the top seven commodities remained unchanged from 2016.

Milk remains the leading agricultural commodity in the State with a 2016 value of \$2.36 billion, up slightly from 2015. Milk represented 33 percent of the total agricultural value compared with 30 percent in 2015. Cattle and calves remained in the second position and had a value of production totaling \$1.39 billion dollars in 2016, down 17 percent from 2015. Potatoes ranked third in 2016 with value of production of \$968 million, up 6 percent from the previous year. Hay value of production was \$674 million, down 17 percent from 2015, fourth in the State ranking. Wheat rounded out the top five with a value of \$422 million, down 6 percent from the previous year. These five commodities had a combined value of \$5.82 billion, or 80 percent of the 2016 value for all commodities (excluding government payments). The same five commodities in 2015 had a combined value of \$6.22 billion, also 80 percent of the total value. Hops moved into the top ten in 2016, up from the thirteenth rank in 2015. Onions, which had held the tenth position in 2015 moved down three positions in 2016.

There were commodities outside the top five that showed significant increases in value from the previous year. Corn for grain production, with a value of \$83.7 million in 2016, increased 23 percent from the previous year. Hop value, at \$51.1 million, reached a record high in 2016. This was up 66 percent from the previous year. The value of lentils, at \$15.3 million, increased 59 percent from the previous year. Four of the top ten commodities declined in value from the previous year. Other notable commodities outside the top ten that declined in value in 2016 were onions, down 44 percent to \$28.0 million; apples, down 36 percent to \$9.63 million; and oats, down 18 percent to \$3.05 million.

Top Ten Agricultural Commodities – Idaho: 2014-2016

Commodity	Rank		Value of production			Change 2016 / 2015
	2016	2015	2014	2015	2016	
			(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(1,000 dollars)	(percent)
Milk ¹	1	1	3,204,663	2,357,038	2,361,065	0.2
Cattle & Calves	2	2	1,706,207	1,683,750	1,392,292	-17.3
Potatoes	3	3	956,736	912,800	968,274	6.1
Hay	4	4	961,080	814,980	673,596	-17.3
Wheat	5	5	582,170	449,467	421,526	-6.2
Barley	6	6	264,187	329,684	322,091	-2.3
Sugarbeets ²	7	7	283,680	299,754	301,862	0.7
Corn for Grain	8	9	66,560	68,248	83,660	22.6
Dry Edible Beans	9	8	73,557	68,726	69,274	0.8
Hops	10	13	18,806	30,799	51,137	66.0
Value of crop production			3,249,296	3,002,056	2,990,694	-0.4
Value of livestock production.....			5,560,908	4,748,239	4,257,809	-10.3
Total value of production, all commodities.....			8,810,204	7,750,295	7,248,503	-6.5

¹ Value at average returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption and milk fed to calves.

² Value of Production for 2016 sugarbeets from Economic Research Service (ERS).

Crop and Livestock Production and Rank Among All States — Idaho: 2015-2016

Item and unit	Rank among States		Idaho's production		Leading State
	2016	2015	Total	Percent of United States	
	(rank)	(rank)	(number)	(percent)	
Field Crops					
Potatoes, fall..... 1,000 cwt	1	1	139,320	31.6	Idaho
Austrian winter peas..... 1,000 cwt	1	1	306	64.2	Idaho
Barley..... 1,000 bushels	1	2	62,060	31.0	Idaho
Peppermint oil..... 1,000 pounds	1	2	1,694	29.2	Idaho
Sugarbeets..... 1,000 tons	2	2	7,038	19.1	Minnesota
Wrinkled seed peas..... 1,000 cwt	2	2	157	35.8	Washington
Hay, alfalfa..... 1,000 tons	2	2	4,400	7.6	California
Hops..... 1,000 pounds	3	3	9,298	10.7	Washington
Onion, dry..... 1,000 cwt	4	4	7,568	10.5	California
Lentils..... 1,000 cwt	4	4	574	4.5	Montana
Dry edible peas..... 1,000 cwt	4	4	700	2.5	North Dakota
Wheat, spring..... 1,000 bushels	5	5	34,365	6.5	North Dakota
Dry edible beans..... 1,000 cwt	6	5	2,624	9.1	North Dakota
Canola..... 1,000 pounds	7	5	43,050	1.4	North Dakota
Corn, silage..... 1,000 tons	7	7	7,050	5.6	Wisconsin
Haylage, all..... 1,000 tons	7	10	1,575	4.9	Wisconsin
Wheat, winter..... 1,000 bushels	8	7	67,680	4.0	Kansas
Wheat, all..... 1,000 bushels	8	8	102,795	4.5	Kansas
Hay, all..... 1,000 tons	10	10	5,126	3.8	Texas
Fruit Crops					
Peaches..... tons	9	10	7,770	1.0	California
Apples, all..... tons	10	12	27,600	0.5	Washington
Livestock					
Trout, value of fish sold ¹ 1,000 dollars	1	1	50,298	47.9	Idaho
Cheese..... 1,000 pounds	3	3	954,987	7.9	Wisconsin
Milk..... million pounds	4	3	14,665	6.9	California
Milk cows..... head	4	4	600,000	6.4	California
Sheep and lambs..... head	7	6	255,000	4.8	Texas
Wool..... 1,000 pounds	8	8	1,600	6.2	California
Cattle and calves, all..... head	13	13	2,350,000	2.5	Texas
Honey..... 1,000 pounds	13	14	3,298	2.0	North Dakota

¹ Value excluding trout eggs.

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